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Hand-Held Instruments that Access Interior Body Regions

AMENDMENT G SUBMITTED WITH A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Amendment G responds to the Office Action mailed July 28, 2005, which was designated as being final.

A Request for Continued Examination accompanies this Amendment

An automatic three month extension of time to respond, up to and including January 28, 2006, is respectfully requested. The requisite fee accompanies this amendment.

Please amend the application as follows: